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Subject: RE: European Monitoring Study

Hi Tom,

I'm not familiar with the studies discussed in the link you provided. I will see if I can find out more from my colleagues in Europe, and will in particular inquire about obtaining a copy of the protocol. Most oil-seed rape in Europe is planted in the fall, so they either already have planted the study fields or they will have to wait another year (with bee exposure in 2016). Or maybe they will study spring-seeded OSR, but that is not the prevalent use pattern over there.

I don't think I'd heard complaints from Dr. Ellis previously. Thanks for letting me know. I'll keep that in mind. As for free copies for the authors, I'll look into that as well.

Best,

Dave

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From: Steeger, Thomas [mailto:Steeger.Thomas@epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, October 01, 2014 9:20 AM

To: David Fischer

Subject: European Monitoring Study

Greetings Dave,

Are you familiar with the studies discussed in the link below? If so, do you have the proposed protocol for the studies and would you be willing to share the protocol with EPA?

http://www.fwi.co.uk/articles/26/09/2014/146857/neonicotinoid-field-studies-to-assess-effect-on-bees.htm.

I spoke with Jamie Ellis last week; he was asking about the status of Pellston participants receiving a complimentary copy of the SETAC publication. He also reminded me how "hot" both he and Frazier were about the edits made to his chapter. I responded that it is my understanding that chapter authors were provided an opportunity to comment on the draft chapters as they were developed. I did not indicate that I had been responsible for a substantial number of edits to their chapter as it did not make much sense to begin with and the authors were not responsive to requests to revise their chapter.

## Tom Steeger

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